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T. C. A. MEMBERSHIP MEETING A SUCCESS

W. B. Snow '82, Prof. Porter And John Ohlers '10 Outline Aims

Last evening, at the Union, the T. C. A. held its membership meeting. A very sumptuous repast that fully illustrated the Union Dining Room's service was first enjoyed. This started promptly at six o'clock. About fifty men were present at the dinner, and several others came in to hear the addresses.

Mr. Mason, the graduate secretary and head of the Association, first spoke a few words concerning the membership cards which had previously been circulated among the company. He described how much work and solid thought had been put into the wording of the card and said that a number of ministers of different creeds had been consulted, and had advised in this regard. He then announced that three men representative of Institute life, had been asked to address the meeting. They were: Mr. Walter B. Snow '82, who was to talk on "The T. C. A. from the Graduate's Standpoint"; Professor Dwight Porter, who was to speak from the standpoint of the faculty, and John Ahlers '10, who was to speak as a student. He then introduced Mr. Snow, the first speaker.

Mr. Snow regretted that he could say very little from the side of the graduate, as he had only the opinions of a few to whom he had spoken. He had, however, an opinion of his own which he stated very forcibly. He emphasized the work done in getting out the membership card, and thought the Association was deeply indebted to Mr. Mason for the production of such a thing. He said further that he believed in manly, upright Christian work, rather than in laying entire stress on the holding of gospel meetings and reading of the Bible.

Mr. Mason next introduced Prof. Porter, who first gave a short resume of the history of the T. C. A., beginning about twenty years ago, when it was hardly as helpful as at present. He said that he had been a member of the Advisory Board in the past, and was very glad to see that the Alumni were becoming interested in the Association. He thought this was a great thing for the Associations, and that the member should work hard to keep up the interest of the Alumni and receive their help. In regard to the "Technology' portion of the name of the Association, he said that to live up to this, the Association must be progressive and active as Technology had always been. Then concerning the word "Christian," he said that the members should be Christian in a manly, strong way, striving to help the morals and spirits of the students here.

The next speaker was John Ahlers, the President of the T. C. A. He gave a short talk on the plans of the Association for the rest of this year, and the coming years. He said that in future the members should look in particular after the entering classes for they were most easily influenced. The four or five years of a man's life spent in college are the most crucial of his career, and many men result as failures who do not have Christian influence brought to bear on them while in college.

After Mr. Ahlers had finished, Mr. Mason rose to thank the men present for the good showing, and said he had put in four months of solid work to make last night's meeting a success, and was highly gratified by the result.

The men present were invited to sign the membership cards and the Constitution before leaving, and a large majority did so.

HEADS OF ALL ORGANIZATIONS AGREE ON A FINANCE COMMISSION

Activities Will Not Be Under Direct Control, But Commission Will Act As Advisory Board

It was the unanimous vote of the twenty-five men representing the heads of all student activities at the Institute that a plan should be adopted to look after the finances of undergraduate activities. The joint meeting was held yesterday in Room A of the Union as the result of the request from the Institute Committee to hear a free discussion on the proposed Committee on Activity Finances from the heads of all activities. The general opposition to the scheme was mainly that the larger activities did not wish to be bound to act on advice from this finance committee. The difficulty was overcome by illiminatng all clauses which would bind the activities directly to the will of the new commission. The exact limitation of power of this new board will be drawn up by a sub-committee and submitted to the activities for ratification. The new commission will take effect when three-fourths of the activites at the Institute accept it and will be binding only on this number.

Never in the history of activities at the Institute has a more representative body of students assembled for free discussion on the general betterment of the affairs of the undergraduate body. The plan will give all the activities the advice of competent business men, who take an active interest in undergraduate affairs. This will result in more efficient business methods and more efficient and unified methods of keeping accounts. This will prevent loss of credit with business firms and discredit cast on student activities as a whole.

The new committee concerns the following activities: The Classes, Professional Societies, Tech Show, The Tech, Technique, Musical Clubs, Tech Christian Association, Athletic Association, The Union, The Wireless Society, The Aero Club, Institute Committee, Class Day Committee, Prom Committee and Portfolio Committee. The committee will hold monthy meetings during the college year, special meetings may be called at any time by the chairman. All the above activities named above are to draw up and mail to the secretary of the Finance Committee in the first seven days of each month, a report of the finances to the close of the month previous.

It is the work of the committee to make such suggestions on the drawing up of these reports as will lead to unification and simplification. The auditing of the books of the activities may be directed by the committee at any time it may deem necessary on account of a bad state of affairs and it shall be at the expense of the activities concerned. The provision of filing the reports is a means of developing continuity in activities with less lost motion. Future managers will find these records a ready source of information on how to conduct their work and how to judge their condition.

The following were present at the meeting as representatives from the various activities:

D. Clapp 1910, general manager Tech Show; D. R. Stevens 1911, editor-in-chief of Technique; C. S. Anderson 1911, business manager; D. V. Williamson 1910, chairman Senior Portfolio; H. S. Cleverdon 1910, Technique; R. H. Ranger 1911, general manager The Tech; R. P. Waller 1910, president Civil Engineering Society; R. S. Breyer 1910, president Mining Engineering Society and Co-operative Society; L. T. Hemmenway 1910, president Electrical Engineering Society; E. D. Green 1910, treasurer Electrical Engineering Society; P. W. Burnham 1910, president Architectural Society; W. D. Foster 1911, secretary-treasurer Architectural Society; G. P. Lunt 1910, president Chemical Engineering Society; John Ahlers 1910, Tech Christian Association; R. A. Smead 1910, treasurer Tech Christian Association; S. B. Copeland 1911, chairman Prom Committee; S. P. Kimball 1911, treasurer Prom Committee, and the following representing the Institute Committee: R. Goodwin 1910, president 1910 and Institute Committee; B. Reynolds 1910, F. Bell 1910, J. C. Fuller 1911, H. D. Peck 1913 and H. E. Prentice 1913.

"RAILROAD ORGANIZATION"

Pres. Hustis At Union Friday--- "Hook Night" Entries

"Railroad Organization" is the subject of the talk in the Union Friday night. The speaker is Mr. J. H. Hustis, President of the Boston & Albany railroad and Boston manager of the New York Central lines. The fact that Mr. Hustis has worked his way to this position in the railroad world would prove him a capable man and one thoroughly acquainted with the subject about which he is to talk.

"Hook Night" at the Union will come on Friday, March 18, if enough applications are handed in at the Cage for Gorton James 1910, chairman of the Union entertainment committee. He wants to know by Friday, Mar. 11, who will take part and what they will try to do so he can make out a program. Mr. James urges the fellows to come out for the "hook night;' it may develop some stars. Everybody is welcome.

Gorton James intends to resign his position as chairman of the entertainment committee within a week or so. He has been in since last May. He has done noble work in providing entertainment, but feels that he must resign the position, since graduation day is approaching.

COURSE X THESES

The following is a continuation of the list of Course X theses which was given in part in The Tech of Tuesday, March 8.

J. M. Bierer.—Heat Treatment of Nickel Steel.

F. S. Byron.—The Extraction of Leather

R. O. Fernandez.—The Determination of Recovered Rubber in Vulcanized Rubber.

E. M. Follansbee.—Comparison of Viscosimeters and the Effect of Temperature on Viscosity of Oils.

G. P. Lunt.—A Process for the Manufacture of Calcium Acid Lactate and a Process for the Concentration of Lactic Acid by Refrigeration Methods.

C. J. Randall.—A Study of Molybdemite with Respect to Two New Elements.

C. S. Redfield.—Tensile Strength of Glue

W. Spaans.—Effect of Free Acid and Neutral Salts on the Electrolytic Deposition of Copper.

L. Rosenstein.—A Study of Indicator Acids.

TECHNIQUE 1912 ELECTORAL BOARD

Archibald Eicher Heads List--- Less Than Half The Class Voted

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HENRY DONALD KEMP	45
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The above men were elected to the 1912 Technique Electoral Committee in the polls which closed yesterday afternoon. Less than half of the class voted, 106 ballots being returned. The lowest number of votes received by any of the fortunate candidates was twenty-seven. The other men who received over twenty votes are as follows: John Seely Grant 26, Donald Huff Radford 25, Wright Shuttleworth 2, John Soley Selfridge 23, Guidon Irving Edgerton 22, Guy Andrew Swenson 22, John Lincoln Barry 21, Cornelius Anthony Duyser 21, Ralph Frederick Symonds 21.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

The faculty of Amherst has refused to permit any football games to be definitely scheduled until the new rules have been seen and acted upon. The schedule is in tentative form, but no games have been definitely arranged as yet.

The Wesleyan football team has declined games with Dartmouth and Brown for next fall.

The candidates for the Harvard upper class crews came out Tuesday. Practicing will continue until May 12 when the final class races are to be held.

By winning from Wesleyan last Saturday, Williams clinched the New England championship in basket ball for the fourth time. Columbia, which has also had a very successful season, refused to play Williams.

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 10.

4:00—Tech Show Chorus, Union.

8:00—Architectural Society Smoker, Union.

8:00—A. S. M. E., 6 Lowell.

Friday, March 11.

1:00—1912 Class Meeting, H. H.

4:00—Tech Show Chorus, Union

8:00—Union Entertainment, Mr. Hustes on "Railroad Organization."

8:00—Gym Meet with Harvard at Tech Gym.

Saturday, March 12.

3:00—Hare and Hounds Run.

8:00—Columbia University Relay Carnival at Philadelphia.

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BOSTON, MASS., MARCH 10, 1910.

Advice but not control is the desire of the members of the activities that gathered yesterday to determine the methods to be used in bettering activities finances.

No matter how perfect the scheme or how true the theory, no attempt at control will get any here that is not willingly given by the consent of the governed. The Institute Committee has, therefore, gotten after the finance commission in the proper manner by putting it up to the direct representatives of each activity. The representatives showed their appreciation of this method by the manner in which they unanimously went at the idea in their joint meeting yesterday afternoon.

The questions now up before the joint committee are who shall compose this group of three non-students on the finance committee, just how far they are to enter into the financial work, and how there can be real force behind the provisions of the scheme without removing too much from the province of the activity itself.

As members of the committee, men must be secured who have first of all a deep interest in Technology, and who will carry this far enough for them to be glad to give the time for carrying out the work properly.

The question of how much power shall the committee have is a much more serious one. In order to determine this it is necessary to determine what the committee shall do. If it is to be purely advisory obviously it needs no power, but if it is to do that very much needed work of preventing the contracting of bills for which there are no actual or possible resources they should have some sort of a control that will enable them either to prevent the contracting of excessive bills or to have the assurance that they will be met out of the pockets of the members of the activites themselves if need be.

A curious fact to be noted from the way the representatives agreed almost unanimously on the idea of having some sort of a committee shows that the need is real, theory or no theory, and that they alone await the scheme that will give the desired benefits without encroaching too much on the field of the activities themselves.

Now is the time for everyone who has been finding fault with all the proposed plans of the Institute Committee to get their constructive ideas together and work up something that besides pleasing themselves will please three-fourths of the rest of the activities.

The Tech will be very willing to publish all communications drawn up along these line. Those who take the time to draw them up will be doing a lasting servce to the Institute.

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GENERAL NEWS

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE MORNING.

WEATHER REPORT.

Washington, D. C., March 10.—Fair and somewhat colder; light west to northwest winds.

Boston, March 10, 1910.—Governor Draper today nominated the Massachusetts commission on the cost of living and under a suspension of the rules the nominations were confirmed by the executive council.

Boston, March 10.—George W. Coleman, bookkeeper of the National City Bank of Cambridge, was to be the first witness called before the grand jury this afternoon, when the so-called faro bank cases are to be presented.

Several summonses were issued from the office of District Attorney Pelletier yesterday afternoon calling in persons who are expected to testify in cases which have been under investigation for a week.

Today is "society day" at the big automobile show in Mechanics Building. The price of admission is doubled in hopes of lessening the throng. The inauguration of "dollar day" was brought about to give the dealers and salesmen one day in the week in which they will have an opportunity to explain fully the advantages of their cars to persons directly interested.

About $2,000,000 represents the approximate grand total of sales of automobiles to be made during the week of the Boston show, according to reasonably authentic figures collected by the management in conjunction with one of the manufacturers.

New Castle, Pa., March 10.—The ninth annual convention of the State Federation of Labor, in session here, yesterday unanimously passed a resolution asking that in the event of an arbitration of the Philadelphia strike question failing, the A. F. of L. call a nation-wide strike of organized and unorganized workmen.

Chicago, March 10.—That the wireless may be used for a tenderer purpose than summoning help to a disabled ship became k nown when the engagement of Miss Louise Gaylord to Walter F. Dillingham, a Harvard graduate of Honolulu, was announced. Mr. Dillingham proposed and was accepted in Honolulu, while Miss Gaylord was miles away in mid-ocean

Washington, March 10.—Commander Robert E. Peary's claim to have discovered the North Pole received a terrific jolt yesterday when the sub-committee of the House, by a practically unanimous vote, decided against bestowing any reward upon Peary until he had furnished further proofs that he discovered the Pole.

Washington, March 10.—The State Department has received, through the United States consul at Bluefields, a communication from Estrada asking for the intervention of a provisional president of Nicaragua other than himself or Madriz, and also looking to an agreement between the two factions for an early election.

Washington, March 10.—Several members of the House Committee on Ways and Means predict that the bill providing for the issuance of $30,000,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness to complete irrigation projects would die in committee. This measure already has passed the Senate and has the support of the President.

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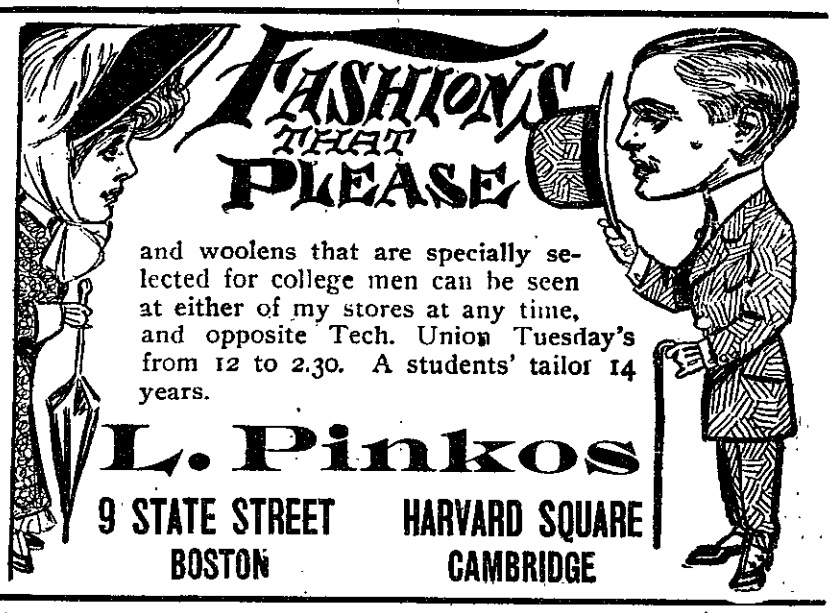

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FOREIGN.

City of Mexico, March 10.—Since Mexico acquired control of its principal railroads six training schools for railroad men have been opened in the City of Mexico.

St. Petersburg, March 10.—Nicholas Tschaikovsky, who was being held on the charge of criminal activity in the revolutionary organization was acquitted here today.

Munich, Bavaria, March 10—The first regular air navigation service in Europe will be inaugurated on May 15. Regular trips will be made from this city alternately to Starnberg and Oberammergau. A dirigible balloon of the Parseval type, having a gas capacity of 6700 cubic metres, and driven by two motors of 100 horse-power each. will be used. The aerial carriages will accommodate twelve passengers besides the crew. An officer from the German aeronautic corps has been detained to serve as captain of the dirigible. Starnberg is fifteen miles south-southwest of Munich and Oberammergau is forty-three miles southwest of Munich.

Florence, March 10.—Owing to adverse climatic conditions considerable damage has been wrought to the Tuscan olive crops, and instead of the half crop expected this season from Lucca and the districts of Tuscany generally growers and exporters will get barely a fourth of the average quantity of a normal season.

Dartmouth plays Cornell in the last game of the intercollegiate hockey league Saturday. If Dartmouth wins, Yale and Cornell will be tied for third place. Princeton and Harvard are first and second respectively.

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NOTICES

FACULTY NOTICE.

Second Year English Literature.

Members of the Section in Second Year English Literature meeting with Professor Bates on Monday and Thursday are requested to bring their "English Readings" to the examination on Thursday, March 10.

FRENCH COLLOQUIUM B.

Exercises in this subject will be held hereafter from 12 to 1 instead of from 11 to 12, on Thursday; otherwise as heretofore.

FRENCH III A.

The section in this subject will recite hereafter to Mr. Erhardt, in Room 29 Lowell. Otherwise as heretofore.

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Ballots for Electoral Committee elections will be at the Cage Saturday.

Sophomore Cross-country candidatee report at Gym, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, at 5 P. M., beginning Saturday, March 5.

LOST.

Lost in General Library, Rogers Building, March 1, at 2 P. M., a Waterman self-filling fountain pen. Return to S. E. Rogers '13, Cage. Reward.

IMPORTANT.

The Course VI issue on Saturday will break all records of any previous issues. Something new and snappy.

CHESS CLUB MEETING.

There will be a short meeting of the Chess Club in Room 8, Eng. C, Friday at one o'clock. Important business.

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C. E. Society Meeting, Wed. March 16, 4.15 P. M., in 6 Lowell.

Mr. Jos H O'Brien of New York City will give illustrated talk on N Y. Pennsylvania Station. z

1910.

Only those who have paid their dues in full by March 15, 1910, will have their names on the Senior Class Day Committee Ballot. Dues may be paid to E. Stuart, L. O. French, R. F. Goodwin, E. M. Potter, D Clapp or W O'Hearn The treasurer will be in the Union every day from 1.30 to 2.00 P. M.

FINANCE COMMISSION.—Meeting of sub-committee to consider powers of Commission meet in Room A, the Union, this afternoon at 5 P. M.

The next meeting of the Boylston Chemical Club of Harvard will be held Thursday evening, March 10, in the Trophy Room of the Harvard Union at 8 P. M. Mr. G. L. Kelly will speak on the "Grignard Reaction," and Mr. F. Berry will speak on "Chrome Tanning."

Members of the M. I. T. Chem. Soc. cordially invited.

GYM TEAM MEET

The College of New York gym team, which was to meet the Tech team here Friday evening, has cancelled its date. Manager Jacoby will try to arrange a meet with Harvard for that date.

There is quite an agitation at Harvard in favor of giving lacrosse a more important standing in college sports. The attitude of the university is becoming very favorable to this sport.

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